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#### ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE

Administrative Committee for the TIR Convention, 1975

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### ACTIVITIES AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE TIR EXECUTIVE BOARD (TIREXB)

Administration of the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat

Status report on the accounts for 2008 and 2009

Status report on the accounts for the year 2009

Note by the secretariat

- 1. The budget for the operation of the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat for the year 2009 amounted to **US\$ 1,474,800** (i.e., cost plan US\$ 1,305,100 plus 13 per cent programme support costs US\$ 169,700).
- 2. The TIR Secretary presents below a detailed report on the financial situation of the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat as at 31 July 2009.
- 3. A complete financial report for the year 2009 will be prepared for approval by the Administrative Committee at its forthcoming session in spring 2010. The budget and cost plan for the operation of the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat for the year 2009, as approved by the Administrative Committee on 9 October 2008 (TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/95, para. 12), is contained in document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2008/7).
- 4. The Administrative Committee may wish to take note of the present status report.

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# "Transport International Routier - TIR" Trust Fund

# Status report as at 31 July 2009 (in US\$)

| Object of expenditure                                | Obligations & |                     |                |
|--|---------------|---------------------|----------------|
|  | Allotment     | <b>Expenditures</b> | <b>Balance</b> |
| Project Personnel                                    | 935,100       | 354,104             | 580,996        |
| Administrative Support Personnel                     | 228,000       | 83,430              | 144,570        |
| Consultants fees and travel                          | 30,000        | 10,400              | 19,600         |
| Travel on official business                          | 40,000        | 17,843              | 22,157         |
| Mission costs  | 20,000        | 8,771               | 11,229         |
| Staff Training                                       | 15,000        | 220                 | 14,780         |
| Office automation & equipment                        | 20,000        | -                   | 20,000         |
| Operation and maintenance of equipment               | 2,000         | -                   | 2,000          |
| External contractual services                        | 14,000        | 12,146              | 1,854          |
| General operating expenses                           | 1,000         | -                   | 1,000          |
| Total net allotment                                  | 1,305,100     | 486,914             | 818,186.       |
| Programme Support (13% of Total expenditures)169,700 |               | 63,299              | 106,364        |
| Grand total  | 1,474,800     | 550,213             | 924,550        |

# Specification of expenditures (as of 31 July 2009)

#### **Project Personnel**

Four experts on fixed-term appointments, one expert recruited on short-term basis to assist the TIR secretariat in the development of ITDBonline+ project and the online Register of Customs sealing devices and stamps project.

# Administrative Support Personnel

Two general service personnel for secretarial support, data entry of information into the International TIR Data Base and updating of the TIR website.

#### Consultants fees and travel

Recruitment of an individual contractor for two months to replace temporarily the general service personnel.

#### **Travel on Official Business**

Participation of the TIR secretariat: Regional TIR Seminar (Tunis, Tunisia), WCO Data model project meeting (Brussels, Belgium), ITF/WB/UNECE Joint Seminar on Overcoming Border Crossing Obstacle (Paris, France), Regional TIR Seminar for the ECO (Economic Cooperation Organization) Region (Teheran, Iran), ITF 2009 Forum: Questions and Answers sessions about the TIR system (Leipzig, Germany); Group on Computerization GE.1 (Belgrade, Serbia) and eTIR work session (Apeldoorn, Netherlands).

#### Mission costs

Participation of TIRExB members in the thirth-ninth session of the TIRExB in Geneva.

#### **Staff Training**

Training course followed by staff members.

## Office Furniture & Equipment

No cost occurred so far under this budget line.

## Operation and maintenance of equipment

No cost occurred so far under this budget line.

#### External contractual services

Interpretation costs for the Regional TIR Seminar (Tunis, Tunisia).

# General operating expenses

No cost occurred so far under this budget line.

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